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TO OUR MEMBERS

Have you noticed something different about your newsletter? From a new name to a more user-friendly design, turn the pages of this first issue of *The Arch* to reveal an in-depth view of the work that you make possible as a member.

What better symbol for the foundational and visionary work that we all do to enhance communities through historic preservation?



We at Landmarks Illinois hope that you're delighted by the redesign of your member newsletter as part of the ongoing refresh of our logo and image. More engaging images are just one aspect of the new design. You'll find in-depth articles on preservation topics, short takes on our programs, interesting and intriguing statistics and interviews with leaders in our field – all packaged in a fresh and accessible format.

In searching for a title for the new design, *The Arch* seemed the perfect fit. Louis Sullivan's masterwork Chicago Stock Exchange arch, which we were formed to save in 1971, has been our symbol and touch point for more than four decades. You'll still find the Sullivan arch in the top right corner of our new logo. In addition to its literal meaning for Landmarks, the arch is one of the most historic forms of design and a beautifully simple piece of engineering that holds incredible weight. An arch is also the frame to view the image beyond. What better symbol for the foundational and visionary work that we all do to enhance communities through historic preservation?

Our newsletter keeps you informed quarterly of the impact of your membership investment in Landmarks Illinois. We continue to see more people engage in our work and that enables us to expand our reach across Illinois to help people save places. Thank you for providing Landmarks Illinois with a strong foundation of support from which we can build our programs.

I welcome your comments and feedback at McDonaldB@lpci.org and all of us at Landmarks Illinois wish you a joyful holiday season.



Bonnie McDonald President

PEOPLE SAVING PLACES

2014 RICHARD H. DRIEHAUS PRESERVATION AWARDS

Nine outstanding preservation efforts from across the state were honored at a special ceremony on November 1 at the InterContinental Hotel, Chicago, by Landmarks Illinois. This year's award winners range from a main street bank in Warren to the State Capitol. For the complete list of honorees, go to our website at www.Landmarks.org.



WALKER AND CAROLYN JOHNSON Joseph Antunovich Award for Leadership

Walker and Carolyn Johnson have been stalwart advocates of historic preservation and leaders in the field for decades. Walker, an award-winning architect, is one of the most enduring figures in Chicago's preservation community. He has contributed to or led feasibility studies for some of the area's most prominent sites, including House, the Chicago Cultural Center, Howard van Doren Shaw's Ragdale, the Foellinger Auditorium at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, and the Wacker Drive reconstruction. In 1992, he founded Johnson-Lasky Architects, a pioneering restoration architecture firm.

Walker's commitment to preservation is extracurricular, as well; he served on the first board of directors of Landmarks Illinois (then the Landmarks Preservation Council) in 1971, and has similarly dedicated himself to countless other preservation advocacy organizations over his 40-year career.

Carolyn Johnson joined the staff of the Landmarks Preservation Council in 1976, and during her ten years with the organization, she worked as a speaker, educator, and advocate for preservation in statewide and national venues. She organized what is considered the country's first Preservation Caucus, as well as the first Illinois Statewide Preservation Conference. Following her departure from Landmarks, Carolyn took on various executive roles in local preservation and arts advocacy organizations, including the Chicago Maritime Society and the Illinois State Historical Society. The Johnsons are the Marquette Building, Glessner preservation pioneers, and their combined work has profoundly developed the field of historic preservation in Illinois and beyond.

> (top) Walker & Carolyn Johnson; (bottom left) Ragdale, Lake Forest; (bottom right) Foellinger Auditorium, University of Illinois at Urban-Champaign (credits: Courtesy of Walker Johnson)



ILLINOIS STATE CAPITOL WEST WING Springfield

The restoration of the West Wing of the Illinois State Capitol represents the second phase of a comprehensive renovation program for the state's most significant governmental building. A National Historic Landmark designed by Alfred Piquenard between 1868 and 1888, the Capitol is one of the best examples of the Second Empire style in the Midwest. Unfortunately, within fifty years of its construction, the Capitol's sublime interiors had been compromised by fires, incompatible modifications, and insensitive attempts to increase the building's capacity through the insertion of mezzanine floors.

The plan for the West Wing included the restoration of the key historic public spaces throughout its four floors and basement to the Capitol's period of significance (1868-1908). Simultaneous with the restoration was the complete upgrade of the building's systems including energy efficient HVAC systems, life safety and accessibility upgrades and security improvements.

Restored public spaces include the first, second, third, and fourth level circulation spaces, corridors and the Grand Stair. Non-original and later interventions and remodeling work were removed and the configuration of the original architecture revealed. Of particular note is the systematic restoration of the Grand Stair which extends from the first through the third floors, with original marble features cleaned and replicated with ten types of marbles from quarries the world over. The mezzanine additions in this space were removed to restore Piguenard's original, soaring stair hall configuration with rich, colorful, stenciled wall coverings. Period appropriate hearing rooms and monumental offices for public officials were created. Throughout the West Wing, original millwork, doors, plaster, cornices, decorative treatments, and light fixtures were either restored or carefully replicated; at the same time, the 19th-century building was able to accommodate 21st-century life safety systems.

(right and bottom) Grand Stair, Illinois State Capitol, Springfield (credit: Tom Rossiter)

THE REMAINING AWARD WINNERS CAN BE FOUND ON LANDMARKS.ORG.







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THE STATE OF PRESERVATION

SOUTH SIDE COMMUNITY CENTER Chicago



Landmarks Illinois awarded a \$2500 Preservation Heritage Fund Grant to the South Side Community Art Center in Chicago for a condition and needs assessment of the building. The Art Center opened in 1940 as part of the WPA Federal Art Project, the first African American art center of its kind in the United States. The building is currently in need of repairs, including the roof, repointing, windows and the basement. The condition of the building is jeopardizing both the quality of work that the Center is able to provide and the protection of its historic art collection and archives. The Center intends to create a focus group of experts in the fields of architecture and construction who will produce a comprehensive study report and analysis of the current condition and needs of the building

(credit: Landmarks Illinois)



JUDGE TAYLOR HOUSE

Springfield



2015 CONFERENCE ON ILLINOIS MAIN STREET & HISTORIC **PRESERVATION** Carbondale

In late 2013, site preparations began for the demolition of the Judge Taylor House, Springfield. The Lincoln-era home, which later served as a school for African-American children, has been vacant for over a decade and was included on Landmarks Illinois' endangered list in 2004. Faced with this imminent threat, Landmarks Illinois worked with a newly-formed coalition that included architects, landscape architects, contractors, and a local nonprofit in order to delay the demolition order and develop a new vision for the property and a timeline for repairs. The coalition succeeded in creating an exterior rehabilitation plan, transferring ownership to the non-profit Springfield Project, and having the demolition order lifted by the City of Springfield. Recently, the asbestos siding was removed to reveal the historic wood clapboards, which will be retained and rehabilitated.

(credit: Sue Massie)

Join Illinois Main Street, the Illinois Historic Preservation Agency, Landmarks Illinois, and Commissions for the 2015 Conference on Illinois Main Street and Historic Preservation in Carbondale with the biennial statewide historic preservation conference and will feature a variety of preservation and commercial-district-revitalization sessions, technical workshops, tours, networking receptions, and an awards banquet.

(credit: Courtesy of RBF Dome NFP)

IN THE FIELD



MAYWOOD SOLDIERS' WIDOWS HOME 224 N. 1st Ave., Maywood

A reuse and site development study was completed by Landmarks Illinois for the Maywood Soldiers' Widows Home, which was included on the 2012 statewide endangered list. Vacant since 2003, LI's consulting team - the firms of Vinci Hamp Architects and Sullivan Goulette & Wilson - concluded that due to the building's layout and location an office or medical office conversion would offer an excellent reuse opportunity. The study also encourages the Village to market the historic building with the adjacent land at 1st Ave. and Lake Streets as one redevelopment site that would include new retail construction with renovation of the historic building. The study can be seen on Landmarks Illinois' website: www.Landmarks.org.

(credit: David Shalliol)



TRUMBULL SCHOOL 5200 N. Ashland Ave. Chicago Landmarks Illinois, in partnership with the Edgewater Historical Society, the Andersonville Chamber of Commerce, Preservation Chicago and neighborhood groups, have advocated that the closed Lyman Trumbull School (1909, Dwight Perkins, architect), an important Prairie-style building included in the Andersonville Commercial Historic District, be fully reused as part of any redevelopment plan for the site. Chicago Public Schools (CPS) is anticipated to release a Request for Proposals (RFP) for purchase and redevelopment of the historic building this fall. The partnering organizations have demonstrated that there is great interest in renovating and reusing the building by many developers experienced in using historic tax credits and that reuse should be the only option in CPS' RFP. For more information on the community input process, visit the website of Alderman Patrick O'Connor at www.AldermanOConnor.com (credit: Jim Peters)



TEN MOST ENDANGERED HISTORIC PLACES Statew

After months of input from Landmarks Illinois committee and board members and stakeholders, the "Ten Most Endangered Historic Places" program, which celebrates its 20th year in 2015, will be revised to make it more flexible and effective. The program will be renamed the "Most Endangered Historic Places in Illinois," dropping the number "Ten" so that staff and board members can determine which properties strategically should be included on the annual list, without being bound by a restrictive number. This will also enable the organization to add a threatened building or site, if needed, to the list any time during the year after its initial announcement in April. LI will still accept public nominations, with a deadline for the 2015 list of January 12. The 2015 nomination form can be found on the Landmarks Illinois website at www.Landmarks.org.

(credit: Frank Butterfield)



Roadmap to Growth

preservation and are willing to support Members of Louis Sullivan Society, Landmarks our work. The initiative goes beyond Illinois' highest donor level (credit: Landmarks identifying prospective funders; the Illinois)

Landmarks Illinois (LI) is excited to consultant will also evaluate if we have announce the incredible support of the internal capacity to maximize our the Richard H. Driehaus Foundation potential and will make recommendations to enhance our fundraising capacity. in that area, as well. Landmarks Illinois In September of 2014, LI received a expresses our appreciation to the Richard grant from the foundation to fund our H. Driehaus Foundation for its support engagement of a consultant to prepare of this important project, which has the a comprehensive Plan for Development goal of growing Landmarks Illinois and Capacity. The Plan will serve as a our partner organizations in the process. roadmap for our organization to grow We anticipate the Plan for Development the number of donors who care about Capacity will be completed by June, 2015.



Property For Sale: River Forest Women's Club

This 1913 board-and-batten clubhouse, Original wood windows and portions of to a single family residence. The main floor 708-386-1400. auditorium was retained and the lower level was converted into living space.

designed by the Prairie School Architect the siding, which were in extremely poor William Drummond, went from Landmarks condition, were repaired or reconstructed Illinois' Ten Most Endangered Historic to match. Interior finishes were restored Places list to winning one of our Richard and the exterior siding was returned to H. Driehaus Foundation Preservation its historic brown color. In addition to Awards for Project of the Year in 2008. their careful restoration work, the owners Centered on a double residential lot and donated a preservation easement on the vulnerable to teardown redevelopment, property to protect the site in perpetuity. an interested buyer came forward with an Interested buyers should contact: Marion offer to restore the building and convert it Digre, RE/MAX In The Village, Realtors, at

(credit: Marion Digre of RE/MAX In The Village)



PRESERVATION AWARDS LANDMARKS ILLINOIS HAS PRESENTED

The number includes our Richard H. Driehaus Foundation Preservation Awards (2014-1994) and previous awards program (1993-1991.)



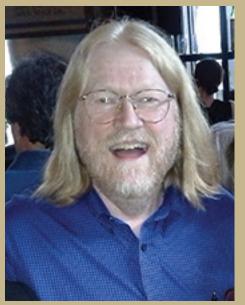
AWARD WINNERS PREVIOUSLY ON THE "MOST ENDANGERED" OR "WATCH LIST"

The Arcade Building in Riverside is a 2014 winner for restoration but was in dire straits when listed to Ll's 2009 Most Endangered list.



WINNING PROJECTS IN TOWNS WITH A POPULATION **UNDER 5000**

Elizabethtown, population 301, was the site of The Grand Rose Hotel a 2000 winning project.



Architectural historian Terry Tatum retired in August as Director of Research at the Chicago Department of Planning and Development's Historic Preservation Division. In his twenty years with the City, Tatum prepared 53 landmark designation reports, resulting in approximately 1000 buildings now protected, individually or within districts, under the Chicago Landmarks Ordinance.

The Jewelers' Row District was especially challenging because in addition to documenting the architecture, there was an additional layer of social, cultural and economic history to research. The report included the types of businesses – jewelers, purveyors of luxury goods like silver, small proprietors and medical professionals – who occupied the buildings over 100 years. It required scanning decades of central area business directories.

While Chicago prides itself on its skyscrapers, churches, schools and bungalows, the basic two-flat defines this city and helped build its middle-class. A family which couldn't afford a single-family house could purchase a two-flat and rent one apartment for income or share in the purchase with another family member. The economics and social function of it allowed for countless families to build equity and achieve the American dream. Its scale fits perfectly within the streetscape of single-family homes and two-flats are integrated into nearly every neighborhood in the city.

(credit: John Cramer)

The Krause Music Store is so unexpected, surrounded by standard storefronts within a simple neighborhood commercial street that you can't pass it and not stop and look. Sullivan's elaborate terra cotta ornament never ceases to amaze. (The Krause Music Store, built in 1922 and designed by Louis Sullivan and William Presto, is located at 4611 N. Lincoln Ave. It was designated a Chicago Landmark in 1977).

(credit: Hedrich Blessing)









Skyline Social

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Preservation Snapshots



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